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To The Honorable the General Assembly  
of the State of North-Carolina -  
The Petition of the undersigned most  
respectfully represents - That your petitioner  
has been placed in a situation as delicate  
and novel, as it is to her painful and  
embarrassing. She is advised there  
exists no tribunal in the State competent  
to her relief, save only your honorable  
body, upon whom she is induced to  
trust herself, under the confident hope  
that she is not to ask in vain. -  
Your petitioner represents, that she is  
now but 17 years of age, residing in  
the County of Edgecombe, where she was  
born, and has been raised. That about  
fifteen months ago, she was adopted  
by a man by the name of Wilkins and  
another by the name of Vivrett. That  
she gave the preference to the former  
and was at that time desirous to have  
married him - but her parents, though not  
favorable to the latter, were most desirous  
of a union to the former. In this state  
of situation she was greatly perplexed as  
to the proper course to pursue. So  
merry & fond, she should often think